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PATENT APPLICATION

Examiner : Ruixiang Li
Group Art Unit : 1646
Applicants : Hermann Oppermann, et al.
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New York, New York 10020
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Mail Stop Amendment
Hon. Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

REPLY TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Sir:

This responds to the January 12, 2007 Office Action in the above-identified application. Applicants have filed concurrently herewith a Petition for a 1-month extension of time for replying to the Office Action and have paid the required fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) and 1.17(a)(1). With the extension, a response is due on or before March 12, 2007. Thus, this response is timely filed.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

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Remarks begin on page 8 of this paper.